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Daily Current Affairs - 12 November 2026

Important Days & Their Themes

Q1. Which organisation broadcast Mahatma Gandhi's message to Partition refugees on 12 November 1947?

12 नवंबर 1947 को विभाजन से विस्थापित शरणार्थियों के लिए महात्मा गांधी का संदेश किस संस्था ने प्रसारित किया था?

(a) Radio Ceylon
(b) All India Radio
(c) Doordarshan
(d) BBC World Service
(e) None of these

Answer (b) All India Radio

1. All India Radio (AIR) carried Gandhi's address from Broadcasting House in New Delhi. His audience included people displaced by Partition who were staying in a camp at Kurukshetra.
2. The date is observed annually as Public Service Broadcasting Day, also called Jan Prasaran Divas. AIR is also known as Akashvani and operates under Prasar Bharati.
3. The historic studio associated with the broadcast was dedicated as Bapu Studio in 2023.

Q2. What was the theme of World Pneumonia Day 2026?

विश्व निमोनिया दिवस 2026 की थीम क्या थी?

(a) Every Breath Counts
(b) End Pneumonia Now
(c) A New Era of Pneumonia Control
(d) Health for Every Child
(e) None of these

Answer (c) A New Era of Pneumonia Control

1. World Pneumonia Day falls on 12 November each year. The first observance took place in 2009 through the Stop Pneumonia Initiative.
2. The 2026 theme calls attention to advances in prevention, diagnosis and treatment and to the need to make these advances available to people at greatest risk.
3. India introduced the Social Awareness and Actions to Neutralize Pneumonia Successfully (**SAANS**) initiative in November 2019 to address childhood pneumonia.

RBI, SEBI & Banking News

Q3. Under RBI's 2026 Domestic Money Transfer Directions, what is the cash pay-in limit per transaction when a remitter uses a permitted channel such as a Business Correspondent?

RBI के घरेलू धन अंतरण निर्देश, 2026 के तहत बिज़नेस कॉरेस्पॉन्डेंट जैसे अनुमत माध्यम से नकद जमा की प्रति लेनदेन सीमा कितनी है?

(a) ₹2,000
(b) ₹10,000
(c) ₹25,000
(d) ₹5,000
(e) None of these

Answer (d) ₹5,000

1. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) consolidated its Domestic Money Transfer (**DMT**) rules on 11 November 2026. Cash pay-in is capped at **₹5,000** per transaction and **₹25,000** per month per remitter.
2. Cash pay-out is capped at **₹10,000** per transaction and **₹25,000** per month per beneficiary. A branch walk-in customer can send up to **₹50,000** using National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT).
3. The directions retain safeguards such as verified mobile numbers, an Officially Valid Document (OVD) and an Additional Factor of Authentication (AFA) for covered pay-in transfers.

Economy & Finance

Q4. What was India's year-on-year growth in net direct tax collections as of 10 November 2026?

10 नवंबर 2026 तक भारत के शुद्ध प्रत्यक्ष कर संग्रह में सालाना वृद्धि कितनी थी?

(a) 11.76%
(b) 14.02%
(c) 17.84%
(d) 25.91%
(e) None of these

Answer (a) 11.76%

1. Net direct tax receipts reached **₹14.42 lakh crore**. Gross receipts before refunds were **₹17.50 lakh crore**, up **14.02%**, and refunds amounted to ₹3.08 lakh crore.
2. Net corporate tax collections grew **17.84%** to **₹6.32 lakh crore**. Non-corporate collections increased **5.30%** to ₹7.56 lakh crore.
3. Securities Transaction Tax (STT) receipts rose **51.56%** to **₹54,077.90 crore**. The net collection figure represented about **53.5%** of the full-year target of ₹26.97 lakh crore.

Government Schemes & Policies

Q5. What was the estimated subsidy requirement for phosphatic and potassic fertilisers under the Nutrient Based Subsidy scheme for Rabi 2026–27?

रबी 2026–27 के लिए पोषक तत्व आधारित सब्सिडी योजना के तहत फॉस्फेट और पोटाश वाले उर्वरकों पर अनुमानित सब्सिडी कितनी थी?

(a) ₹37,952.29 crore
(b) ₹24,417.73 crore
(c) ₹62,370.02 crore
(d) ₹50,000 crore
(e) None of these

Answer (c) ₹62,370.02 crore

1. The Cabinet approved rates covering 28 grades of phosphatic and potassic (P&K) fertilisers, including Di-

Ammonium Phosphate (DAP), from 1 October 2026 to 31 March 2027.

2. The estimate was about ₹**24,417.73 crore** above the previous Rabi provision of ₹**37,952.29 crore**, an increase of roughly **64.3%**.
3. The Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) system began in April 2010. Its nutrient-linked payments to manufacturers and importers help keep covered fertilisers affordable for farmers.

Q6. Until when did the Union Cabinet approve continuation of the Stand-Up India Scheme in November 2026?

नवंबर 2026 में केंद्रीय मंत्रिमंडल ने स्टैंड-अप इंडिया योजना को किस तारीख तक जारी रखने की मंजूरी दी?

(a) 31 March 2029
(b) 31 March 2031
(c) 31 March 2030
(d) 31 March 2032
(e) None of these

Answer (b) 31 March 2031

1. The five-year continuation seeks to reach another 2.5 lakh women and Scheduled Caste or Scheduled Tribe entrepreneurs. The approved credit guarantee corpus is ₹**4,111 crore**.
2. Launched in April 2016, the scheme supports greenfield enterprises through institutional loans above ₹**10** lakh and up to ₹**1 crore**.
3. Eligible sectors include manufacturing, services, trade and activities allied to agriculture. A greenfield enterprise is a new venture for the beneficiary.

Q7. Which organisation manages the Credit Guarantee Fund for Micro Units, whose continuation was approved through March 2031?

मार्च 2031 तक जारी रखने के लिए मंजूर सूक्ष्म इकाइयों के ऋण गारंटी कोष का प्रबंधन कौन करता है?

(a) Small Industries Development Bank of India
(b) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development
(c) Reserve Bank of India
(d) National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company Limited
(e) None of these

Answer (d) National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company Limited

1. The National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company Limited (**NCGTC**) manages the Credit Guarantee Fund for Micro Units (CGFMU). The continued fund has a ₹**5,000 crore** corpus and is expected to facilitate ₹**12.6 lakh crore** in lending over five financial years.
2. The guarantee protects eligible lenders against default on covered credit. Examples include loans under Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY), Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) overdrafts and covered Self-Help Group (SHG) loans.
3. For applicable loans outside the SHG category, the annual guarantee fee was cut from **1%** to **0.75%**.

State News

Q8. Which state's Cabinet approved a draft bill to regulate breeding services for cattle and buffaloes in November 2026?

नवंबर 2026 में किस राज्य के मंत्रिमंडल ने गाय-भैंसों की प्रजनन सेवाओं को विनियमित करने के लिए विधेयक के मसौदे को मंजूरी दी?

(a) Odisha
(b) Assam
(c) Bihar
(d) Chhattisgarh
(e) None of these

Answer (a) Odisha

1. Odisha's Cabinet approved the draft Odisha Bovine Breeding (Regulation) Bill, 2026, on 9 November under Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi.
2. The draft envisages a regulatory authority, registration of breeding service providers and a digital livestock breeding registry. It addresses artificial insemination, semen standards, in vitro fertilisation (IVF) and embryo transfer.
3. A proposed genetic improvement fund would support conservation of indigenous breeds and efforts to raise productivity.

Q9. The approved Noida Metro Aqua Line extension will link Noida Sector-51 to which endpoint?

मंजूर नोएडा मेट्रो एक्वा लाइन विस्तार नोएडा सेक्टर-51 को किस अंतिम स्टेशन से जोड़ेगा?

(a) Greater Noida Sector-2
(b) Noida Sector-61
(c) Greater Noida Sector-4
(d) Noida Sector-137
(e) None of these

Answer (c) Greater Noida Sector-4

1. The Cabinet approved an 8.449-km elevated extension in Uttar Pradesh. The ₹**2,390 crore** project will add five stations between Noida Sector-51 and Greater Noida Sector-4.
2. The planned interchange with Delhi Metro's Blue Line is at Noida Sector-61. This is the interchange station on the extension, while Greater Noida Sector-4 is the endpoint.
3. The estimated construction period is three years. Once the extension is operational, the combined Metro network in Noida and Greater Noida is expected to reach 71.878 km.

Q10. The proposed one-kilometre Eco-Sensitive Zone around Bherjan-Borajan-Padumoni Wildlife Sanctuary is in which state?

भेरजान-बोराजान-पदुमोनी वन्यजीव अभयारण्य के चारों ओर प्रस्तावित एक किलोमीटर का पर्यावरण-संवेदनशील क्षेत्र किस राज्य में है?

(a) Meghalaya
(b) Assam
(c) Arunachal Pradesh
(d) Nagaland
(e) None of these

Answer (b) Assam

1. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

(MoEFCC) issued a draft notification for an Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ) in Assam's Tinsukia district under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

2. The draft zone covers 32.01 sq km around three forest patches. The sanctuary itself occupies 7.21 sq km and is known for primates such as the western hoolock gibbon.
3. The draft places activities in prohibited, regulated or permitted categories. The proposal aims to protect habitats while taking local livelihoods into account.

Q11. Which community celebrates Meghalaya's Hundred Drums Wangala Festival?

मेघालय का हंड्रेड ड्रम्स वांगला महोत्सव किस समुदाय का है?

(a) Khasi
(b) Jaintia
(c) Bodo
(d) Garo
(e) None of these

Answer (d) Garo

1. Wangala is a Garo harvest thanksgiving festival dedicated to Misi Saljong, associated with the sun and fertility. The 50th Hundred Drums Wangala Festival was scheduled for 11–14 November 2026.
2. Garo Heritage Village at Chibagre in West Garo Hills hosted the golden jubilee. Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma inaugurated the celebrations.
3. The programme was themed Rhythm of 1,000 Drums and featured drumming, dancing and an exhibition of handloom and handicraft products.

National News

Q12. Which site will house the Yuge Yugeen Bharat Museum approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs?

आर्थिक मामलों की मंत्रिमंडलीय समिति से मंजूर युगे युगीन भारत संग्रहालय किस परिसर में बनेगा?

(a) North and South Block Complex, New Delhi
(b) Pragati Maidan, New Delhi
(c) Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi
(d) Victoria Memorial, Kolkata
(e) None of these

Answer (a) North and South Block Complex, New Delhi

1. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved the **₹3,230 crore** project under the Ministry of Culture. The plan adapts New Delhi's historic North and South Blocks into a museum.
2. Implementation is planned from **FY 2026–27** through **FY 2030–31**. The site covers approximately 1,78,509 square metres and will present subjects ranging from astronomy and mathematics to languages and trade.
3. The project envisages an Adornment gallery opening in late 2027 and targets around one crore visitors annually.

Q13. How many main visa categories does India's rationalised visa framework retain?

भारत के संशोधित वीज़ा ढाँचे में मुख्य वीज़ा श्रेणियों की संख्या कितनी है?

(a) 7
(b) 8
(c) 9
(d) 13
(e) None of these

Answer (c) 9

1. The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) reduced main visa categories from 13 to nine and subcategories from 49 to 23. The revised framework was introduced on 27 August 2026.
2. The Tourist Visa was renamed the Visitor Visa. The changes also reorganised visas for purposes such as medical treatment, study and business.
3. The application was simplified by reducing form fields by about 65–**70%**. The revised processing system was expected to become operational by the end of 2026.

Appointments

Q14. Who succeeded Noel N. Tata as Chairman of Tata Investment Corporation Limited in November 2026?

नवंबर 2026 में टाटा इन्वेस्टमेंट कॉरपोरेशन लिमिटेड के अध्यक्ष के रूप में नोएल एन. टाटा का स्थान किसने लिया?

(a) Abizer Shabbir Diwanji
(b) Bahram Vakil
(c) N. Chandrasekaran
(d) Saurabh Agrawal
(e) None of these

Answer (b) Bahram Vakil

1. Noel N. Tata retired from the board and chairmanship on 11 November at the prescribed retirement age of 70. He took the Chairman Emeritus role from 12 November.
2. His successor, Bahram Vakil, co-founded AZB & Partners and had served as vice chairman of Tata Investment Corporation since March 2026.
3. The board also approved Abizer Shabbir Diwanji's appointment as an independent director for five years, subject to shareholder approval. The company is a Reserve Bank of India-registered Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC).

Defence

Q15. India held the eighth IMNEX naval exercise in November 2026 with which country?

भारत ने नवंबर 2026 में आठवाँ IMNEX नौसैनिक अभ्यास किस देश के साथ आयोजित किया?

(a) Thailand
(b) Indonesia
(c) Oman
(d) Myanmar
(e) None of these

Answer (d) Myanmar

1. The eighth India–Myanmar Naval Exercise (**IMNEX-26**) was scheduled at Visakhapatnam from 10 to 14 November. Its opening ceremony was held aboard INS Rana.

2. India deployed the guided-missile destroyer INS Rana and the offshore patrol vessel INS Sumedha. Myanmar participated with UMS King Sin Phyu Shin.
3. Professional exchanges and ship visits formed part of the harbour engagement. At sea, the navies practised tactical manoeuvres and coordinated maritime operations.

Q16. Which country partners India in the bilateral maritime exercise Naseem Al Bahr?

द्विपक्षीय समुद्री अभ्यास नसीम अल बहर में भारत का साझेदार देश कौन है?

(a) Oman
(b) United Arab Emirates
(c) Qatar
(d) Bahrain
(e) None of these

Answer (a) Oman

1. The Indian Navy and the Royal Navy of Oman conducted the 15th edition of Naseem Al Bahr, whose name translates as Sea Breeze.
2. Harbour exchanges covered hydrography, mine countermeasures and explosive ordnance disposal. At sea, the navies practised Visit, Board, Search and Seizure (VBSS) and cross-deck operations.
3. India's INS Surat and Oman's Al-Mu'azzar participated in the sea phase. INS Surat is a Project 15B Visakhapatnam-class guided-missile destroyer.

Q17. Which edition of the pan-India coastal defence exercise Sea Vigil was scheduled for 11–19 November 2026?

11–19 नवंबर 2026 के लिए निर्धारित अखिल भारतीय तटीय रक्षा अभ्यास सी विजिल का कौन-सा संस्करण था?

(a) Third
(b) Fourth
(c) Fifth
(d) Sixth
(e) None of these

Answer (c) Fifth

1. The Indian Navy coordinated the fifth edition across India's coastline and Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), working with the Coast Guard, Coastal Security Police, Customs and other stakeholders.
2. The Coastal Defence and Security Readiness Evaluation was scheduled for 11–17 November, followed by a sea phase on 18–19 November. Fishing communities and coastal states and Union Territories also took part.
3. Sea Vigil was conceived in 2018 to test coastal security measures introduced after the 2008 Mumbai attacks. It serves as a precursor to the Theatre Level Readiness Operational Exercise (**TROPEX**).

Awards & Honours

Q18. Which city topped the million-plus population category in Swachh Survekshan 2025–26?

स्वच्छ सर्वेक्षण 2025–26 की दस लाख से अधिक आबादी वाली श्रेणी में कौन-सा शहर शीर्ष पर रहा?

(a) Vijayawada
(b) Visakhapatnam
(c) Navi Mumbai
(d) Surat
(e) None of these

Answer (b) Visakhapatnam

1. President Droupadi Murmu presented the tenth Swachh Survekshan awards at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi. The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) exercise covered 4,751 cities and received feedback from 2.70 crore citizens.
2. Visakhapatnam topped the million-plus population category. Navi Mumbai, Surat and Vijayawada were among the cities recognised in the Super Swachh League.
3. The assessment used 43 indicators spanning urban sanitation, waste services, citizen participation and the welfare of sanitation workers.

Q19. Who won the Infosys Prize 2026 in Economics?

अर्थशास्त्र में 2026 का इन्फोसिस पुरस्कार किसे मिला?

(a) Gautam Bhatia
(b) Swarun Kumar
(c) Riddhipratim Basu
(d) Karthik Sastry
(e) None of these

Answer (d) Karthik Sastry

1. The Infosys Science Foundation recognised Karthik Sastry for research on climate change, technological innovation and fluctuations in economic activity.
2. Swarun Kumar won in Engineering and Computer Science, Gautam Bhatia in Humanities and Social Sciences, Isha Jain in Life Sciences, Riddhipratim Basu in Mathematical Sciences and Manoj Kumar Joshi in Physical Sciences.
3. The prize, instituted in 2009, comprises a gold medal, a citation and US$100,000 or its equivalent. Since 2024 its eligibility has focused on researchers under 40.